

JIMMY GOWANS TEE TALK



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BIRDSEYE VIEW

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S SCORECARD

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NEXT GAME:

COURSE:

Kyalami

DATE:

24th June

GAME FORMAT:

TBA

GREEN FEE:

R320-00 (INCLUDES
R40-00 WATER LEVY)

CART COST:

R380-00 (OWN
CARTS ALLOWED)

Hello again,

A lot has happened since our last chat on Tee Talk.

The 2025 National Tournament.

The Tournament was held in Bloemfontein at the Schoeman Park Club and at the Bloemfontein Golf Club. It was a well organized event and a good time was had by all. Jimmy Gowans was represented by the following team:

The Team for 2025 at this stage is:

- 1) Patrick Maritz. Team Captain.
- 2) Anton Korb. Chairman and NMC AGM delegate.
- 3) Johan Woest. Secretary and NMC AGM delegate.
- 4) Wynand Walters. Treasurer.
- 5) Ian Hall.
- 6) Elca Faure.
- 7) Llewellyn Loxton.
- 8) Deon Rossouw.
- 9) Zahn Rossouw.
- 10) Xiaowei Pan.
- 11) Dave Blain.
- 12) Reggie Singh

Unfortunately, Wynand Walters had to withdraw at the last minute due to a knee injury. His place was taken by Louise Schoeman from East Free State with the result that her and Llewellyn's scores did not count towards the team totals.

As a team we did not do too well but on the individual side, our ladies made us proud. Zahn Rossouw came second and Elca Faure fifth in the Ladies individual competition. Well done to you. And Ian Hall won a Nearest the Pin.

I would like to extend a special word of thanks to Johan Woest who did the draw as well as cart allocations for 280 players. I did not realise what a mammoth task that was. Everything, from the registration to score capturing went smoothly. Thanks Johan. We now know what to expect at the 2026 Nationals.

Some feedback from the AGM held at Bloemfontein.

Jimmy Gowans tabled two motions. One was in respect of the change of the constitution that allows the chairman to continue as chairman indefinitely. We believed the correct procedure was not followed, and we asked the AGM to revert to the previous version that stated that the chair can only occupy that position for 2 consecutive years. The meeting concluded that the correct process was followed, and chairman can fill the position indefinitely if he is voted in at the AGM. Our second motion was to ask the meeting to allow the NMC to co-opt a person to assist the national secretary by taking over certain tasks from the secretary. Such a person will not form part of the NMC and will have no impact on the annual budget.

This motion was passed with no objection.

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Unfortunately, Tom Buckle was not voted in as President and he decided to stand down as Vice President. We'd like to thank Tom for the hard work he has put in over the last two years, specifically the effort he put into Cansa. Under his watch, Sages raised R960 000 for Cansa alone.

2026 Nationals

We have mentioned before that the 2026 Nationals will be hosted by us at Randpark. We are already hard at work to ensure a smooth run event. We have already put a list together of items we observed at this year's event that we feel deserve more attention.

Abraham Kriel Donation.

We are proud to announce that Jimmy Gowans donated R50 000 to two of Abraham Kriel's satellite homes in our area, namely Huis Mouton in Linden for boys and Huis Aasvoelkop in Risidale for girls. We were pleasantly surprised at the reception we received and the cheerful atmosphere amongst the staff and children alike. During our conversation we were told that the biggest need of the children is for decent clothes, especially shoes. Kids grow out of their shoes at a much faster rate than their clothes.

We appeal to our members to speak to your children and grandchildren to donate any items of clothing to these homes. If you do not know where to take it, bring it along to the monthly games and I'll deliver it. We saw the appreciation firsthand.



Jimmy Gowans committee members with staff and some of the children at the handover.

Pentagonal.

The Pentagonal Tournament that was scheduled for 12 March was postponed due to very heavy rain at Ebotse. It has been rescheduled for 13 August. We'll keep you informed. The funds that were paid by our members were paid over to East Rand and will be applied for this purpose./ In cases where a member cannot play at that date, we'll arrange an exchange.

Cansa Day

Our annual Cansa fundraising will take place on 21 October at Randpark. We had a great turnout last year and expect the same this year. As it is an open day, you are welcome to make up fourballs from non Sages as well as under fifty year olds. If your sons are still actively working, please approach them for possible sponsorships. The more prizes we can get as donations, the more funds from entry fees are available for charity.

Slow play

We often hear from members that they can't stay for prizegiving because the game took too long. We came across this little bit of information that can really help to speed up play if applied. Please read through it and see where you can assist in speeding up play.

Most cart golfers have zero idea of how to efficiently cart golf

All cart golfers need to do to give us all a decent chance at a 4 hour round is

1. Park at the back of the green so your group isn't walking toward the group behind once the hole is finished. Exception is when course routing forces you to go backward. Same principle goes for walkers, drop your bag in a spot that gets you out of play for the group behind as fast as possible.
2. Drop their cart partner off at their ball, while the other cart golfer goes and finds their ball. You don't need to codependently watch each other's every swing.
3. If you're the one who got dropped off, take your shot and then walk toward the cart so you can link up quicker.
4. If someone is within 60 yards of the green, drop them off with a wedge and putter, and the other player proceed to park the cart at the back of the green. You don't need to cart someone to help them avoid a 20 second walk.
5. If you're the only cart in the group, use your cart to help track down other people's balls.

That's it.

I find the above such common sense items, but the vast majority of cart golfers don't do any of the above. Not doing any of the above only costs 30 seconds each, but if a player makes the inefficient decision 4-5 times over every hole, you're looking at 40 extra minutes wasted for no reason.

National Sponsorship

We are very pleased to announce that a sponsorship of R300 000 has been negotiated successfully. The Jimmy Gowans committee was instrumental in securing this deal before it was handed over to the NMC.

We thank one of the newer members, Khandani Msibi, for his role in securing this arrangement through two of his companies, namely the 3Sixty Global Solutions Group and Doves. The NMC uses these funds primarily to support branches hosting Regional and National Tournaments. This of course means that we'll be in a much better position to host the 2026 Nationals at a much more affordable rate for the participants.

Thank you Khandani for coming aboard.

I trust we'll all survive this winter which I believe promises to be quite severe.
Stay warm and healthy.
See you all at Kyalami.

Regards,

Anton Korb.

TEERING OFF – FIRST TIMERS

Welcome to Ian Lottering, Dino Philips and Gordon Muller who joined us at the Huddle Park game. We are looking forward to many enjoyable rounds with you. From what we saw at the prizegiving, it looks like a happy and joking group of mates.

Please encourage your friends to join this happy group of hackers.

FIRST AID CORNER

Wynand Walters had the knee problem that cost him his place at the Nationals and he is also facing a possible knee replacement.

Deon Loubser is currently overseas and will undergo another knee replacement upon his return.

We are not sure how Barry Moyo is progressing with his injury, but we hope to see him back soon.

Please advise any committee member if you are aware of any of our member's with health issues.

GETTING ON – MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS

March

4th Llew Loxton
5th Nico Siebrits
9th Peter Bialy
20th Mark Burrell
21st Johan Woest
25th Jeremy Campion
26th Rob Young
27th Rhys Hughes
Glenn Cuthbertson
28th Kevin Fisher
29th Peter Nelson

April

1st Khandani Msibi
2nd Pat Maritz
4th Phil Dawson
11th Dino Philips
12th Paul McNab
13th Ian Hall
18th Gavin Jones
20th Dirk Human

May

18th David Blain
Deon Rossouw



JIMMY GOWANS WINNERS C.C.J.-Woodmead - 2025-Mar-18



COMPETITION : B.B.S. (100%)		HANDICAP : 100%	
PLACE	NAME(S)	RESULTS	PRIZES
1st Place	Joe Bester(71) and Mauritz Vermeulen(67)	45 Pts	R350 Voucher each
2nd Place	Johan Woest(65) and Khandani Msibi(60)	44 Pts	R300 Voucher each
3rd Place	Leroy Azar(77) and (V) Charl Jooste(25)	43 Pts	R200 Voucher each
4th Place	Reggie Singh(76) and Peter Bialy(76)	41 Pts	R100 Cash each
NEAREST THE PIN (Sleeve of Balls)		TWO CLUBS (2 Balls)	
4 th	Pete Langley (2m)	Pete Langley	
8 th	Pat Maritz 14m		
13 th	Ivor Randall (0.5m)	Ivor Randall	
15 th	Mauritz Vermeulen 8m		
EAGLES (2 Balls)	None		
WINE	Elca Faure		
WHISKEY	Mike McLean		





JIMMY GOWANS WINNERS

Jackal Creek 15-Apr-25



COMPETITION : 2-Ball Combined		HANDICAP : 100%	
PLACE	NAME(S)	RESULTS	PRIZES
1st Place :	Anton Korb(71) and Johan Woest(66)	63 Pts	R350 Thundergun Voucher each
2nd Place :	Jacques Harrington(59) and Steve Griebenow(78)	62 Pts	R300 Berts Butcher Voucher each
3rd Place :	Ivor Randall(74) and Mike McLean(64)	59 Pts	R200 Berts Butcher Voucher each
NEAREST THE PIN (Sleeve of Balls)		TWO CLUBS (2 Balls)	
3 th :	Elca Faure (3m)	No 2-clubs	
7 th :	Llewellyn Loxton (2.1m)	No 2-clubs	
12 th :	Maureen Henshall (3.5m)	No 2-clubs	
15 th :	Ivor Randall (7m)	No 2-clubs	
WINE : Llewellyn Loxton			
WHISKEY : Archie Henson			

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JIMMY GOWANS WINNERS

Huddle Park - 2025-May-27



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COMPETITION : B.B.S. (100%)		HANDICAP : 100%	
PLACE	NAME(S)	RESULTS	PRIZES
1st Place	Chris du Preez(66) and Patrick Maritz(78)	49 Pts	R350 Thundergun Voucher each
2nd Place	Mike McLean(64) and Mike Young(67)	47 Pts	R300 Berts Butcher Voucher each
3rd Place	Ian Hall(65) and Deon Rossouw(61)	46 Pts	R200 Berts Butcher Voucher each
NEAREST THE PIN (Sleeve of Balls)		TWO CLUBS (2 Balls)	
3 th	George Burness	George Burness	
7 th	David Cox		
13 th	Peter Langley (4.1m)		
17 th	Johan Woest (Foot)	Johan Woest	
WINE	Kevin Fischer		
WHISKEY	Colin Opie		

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JIMMY GOWANS 2025 ROSTER* V2									
*SUBJECT TO CHANGE									
2025				EVENT	VENUE	FORMAT	GREEN FEE	CART COST	2025/06/09 11:21
1	Jan	21	Tue	JG Monthly	Eagle Canyon	BBS	R200	R360	32 Players
2	Feb	18	Tue	JG Club Champs and & AGM	Randpark	IPS	R325	R315	Chris du Preez 2025 Club Champion
3	Mar	18	Tue	JG Monthly	C.C.J.	BBS	R360	R428	40 Players
4	Apr	15	Tue	JG Monthly	Jackal Creek	2BC	R140	R400	27 Players
	Apr	23	Wed	Pentagonal	Ebotse	BBS	R475	Incl	POSTPONED TO 13/8
5	May	12-16	week	Nationals	Bloemfontein	BBS & IPS	R830	R380	12 Players
6	May	27	Tue	JG Monthly	Huddle Park	BBS	R140	R330	35 players
7	Jun	24	Tue	JG Monthly	Kyalami	??	R320	R380	Confirmed
8	Jul	15	Tue	JG Monthly	Bryanston	2BC			Confirmed from 07:30
9	Jul	21-22	Mon-Tue	Northern Regionals	Benoni	??			Date/Venue confirmed - East Rand organising
10	Aug	13	Wed	Pentagonal	Ebotse	BBS	R475	Incl	MOVED FROM Apr 23
11	Aug	19	Tue	JG Monthly	Killarney	BBS			Confirmed
12	Sep	09	Tue	5-Corner	Reading	??			South Rand Organising
13	Sep	23	Tue	JG Monthly	Houghton	BBS			Confirmed from 07:00
14	Oct	21	Tue	JG Monthly - CANSA	Randpark	BBBB	R375	R340	Confirmed from 07:18 on Firethorn
15	Nov	18	Tue	JG Monthly	C.C.J.	BBS	R360	R429	Confirmed from 07:32 on Ricklands
16	Dec	09	Tue	JG Monthly	Wanderers	BBS	R270	R420	Confirmed from 07:28

2024/09/20 11:10	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
PENTAGONAL :	East Rand	Jacaranda	Jimmy Gowans	West Rand	??
	NB : Tournament will ideally be played in one of the following months - Feb, May, Sep, Oct or Nov				
5-CORNER :	South Rand	North West	West Rand	Vaal	??
N REGIONAL :	East Rand	??	??	??	??
NATIONAL :	Freestate	Jimmy Gowans	Outeniqua	Zululand	??

FRESHIES

No jokes in this issue, but a sign we came across on the course in Bloemfontein That I thought was quite profound.

